



Rex G. Howard Jr.

July 8, 1928 - April 15, 2023

Rex G. Howard Jr., beloved companion to Patrica A. Crawford, passed away on April 15, 2023, at Buehler Healthcare in Peoria. He was born to Rex G., Sr. and Olive (Hudson) Howard on July 8, 1928, in Pekin. He married Nancy J. Meredith in Peoria on June 24, 1952; she preceded him in death in December 2002. He is survived by his son, Rex III (Heidi) Howard of Phoenix, AZ; two grandchildren, Ryan (Andrea) Howard and Hayley (Adam) Barry; and two great-grandchildren Gavin and Gabriella Howard.

Rex attended Bradley University where he was a member of the TKE fraternity. He was a Veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of Arcadia Presbyterian Church. He was the President of Howard Company and Lithography and then worked as an independent contractor for Logan Printing. Rex was an avid pilot, real estate agent, golfer, and a lifetime member of Mt Hawley Country Club. He loved to read and was a world traveler.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services in East Peoria is assisting the family.

Memorials may be made to Pets for Seniors, the ARK Animal Shelter, or Cats of Woodford County. Online condolences may be left at www.GaryDeitersFH.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Rex G. Howard Jr.*

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“ *The rewards of a life well lived, loved dogs, Bassett hounds*

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“ *Pat.....I am so very sorry for your loss of Rex. I am thankful you have had these wonderful years together to make wonderful memories together. Sending love and hugs to you 💕💕💕. Pam Hrdlicka*

Pam Hrdlicka - April 18, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I am remembering my classmate, good friend and TKE brother, Rex. Sincerely, Louis A. Steger, Pekin class of '46, Bradley '50*

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